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IN TODAY'S WEBINAR...

- Phones will be muted to eliminate background noise
- All questions can be typed in the Q&A panel to the right, staff is available to answer your questions
- As you exit today's webinar, you'll be prompted to complete a brief survey. Your response is greatly appreciated!

AGENDA

- Assembly Bill 2160 – “The Ting Bill”
- Cal Grant and Middle Class Scholarship
- WebGrants and Uploading
- Resources



TING BILL PASSES

GPA UPLOADS 2015/16

AB 2160

Changes For Public High Schools

2160 Signed. It's The Law!

**New Bill Effects High
Schools and Charters**

WebGrants

ELECTRONIC GPA UPLOADS START NOW

THE TING BILL

- Becomes effective in the 2016/2017 Academic Year
- Requires all public high schools and charter schools to submit GPAs electronically to the California Student Aid Commission each academic year
- High schools will need to create an opt-out process
- High schools will need to provide students/parents an opt-out option no later than October 15th

THE TING BILL

More GPAs Submitted
=
More Cal Grants
Awarded

WHAT IS A CAL GRANT?

**A Cal Grant is money for college
you don't have to pay back**



Cal Grants come from the State of California and can be used at any UC or CSU for undergraduate studies or at any California Community College, as well as qualifying independent and career colleges or technical schools in California.

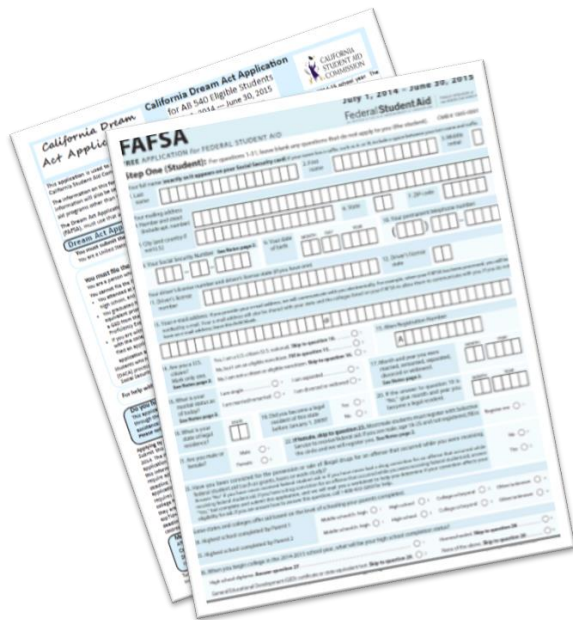
MIDDLE CLASS SCHOLARSHIP

- Must attend a UC or a CSU
- Families earn less than \$150,000 per year
- In 2016-17, students can receive up to 30% of their tuition and fees
- By 2017-18 that amount will be a maximum of 40 percent



HOW STUDENTS APPLY FOR A CAL GRANT

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or The California Dream Act Application by the March 2nd deadline.

A stack of application forms is shown. The top form is the California Dream Act Application for the 2014-2015 academic year, with a deadline of June 30, 2015. Below it is the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) for the 2014-2015 academic year, with a deadline of June 30, 2015. The forms are filled out with various details, including student information, family income, and school information.

Both available electronically.

Remember, students are eligible to complete one or the other, but not both.

HOW STUDENTS APPLY FOR A CAL GRANT



A GPA must be submitted by the high school for every senior.

High Schools will electronically upload and submit GPAs.



DO YOU KNOW..

The reason a student is not awarded a Cal Grant is because their verified GPA has not been submitted on time or at all?



Getting a GPA submitted electronically before the deadline is critical to receiving a Cal Grant.

GETTING STARTING WITH WEBGRANTS



How do we get started with WebGrants so we can upload GPAs?

GETTING STARTED WITH WEBGRANTS

Grant Delivery System (GDS) - WebGrants High School System Administrator's Access Request Form

Print Form



High School Grant Delivery System (GDS) – WebGrants Information Security and Confidentiality Agreement



A signed Information Security and Confidentiality Agreement (the "Agreement") is required by the California Student Aid Commission from any institution accessing the GDS – WebGrants System.

High School Name	College Board Code		
Western Association of Schools & Colleges (WASC) Code (or other Eligible Regional Association Code)	CDS Code		
High School Address	City	State	Zip Code

The High School listed above agrees to comply with the following requirements as a condition of gaining access to the GDS – WebGrants System of the California Student Aid Commission (the Commission):

1. Passwords and user identification numbers (IDs) are to be treated as confidential information. School employees shall not share passwords and IDs.
2. The high school's Principal will designate another individual as the high school's System Administrator. The System Administrator will be granted the authority and responsibility to create or disable individual school user accounts for that high school's staff access to the GDS – WebGrants System. The Principal will not have this authority and responsibility.
3. Computerized files created pursuant to this agreement include confidential information. These files and the data contained within these computerized files will be maintained by the Commission consistent with federal and state privacy laws, and must be treated with the utmost confidentiality by all parties.
4. The high school shall take all reasonable precautions to protect the data in the system from unauthorized access, change or destruction. Data shall not be altered, destroyed, copied, uploaded, or downloaded from the system except as authorized in the approved External User Access Request forms.
5. The Commission reserves the right to revoke access to the GDS – WebGrants System to any high school or individual staff member without notice.
6. Within five (5) working days of notice, the System Administrator will disable the password and ID of any employee whose change in employment status or duties no longer requires access to the GDS – WebGrants System. Documentation of this action shall remain at the school.
7. The high school shall complete a new Agreement should the Principal or System Administrator leave the high school. The new Agreement must be filed no later than 5 days after a new Principal or System Administrator is appointed.
8. The high school shall comply with all federal and California information security and confidentiality laws, including the Comprehensive Computer Data Access and Fraud Act (California Penal Code Section 502) and Information Practices Act of 1977 (Civil Code 1798 et. seq.).
9. The high school shall ensure that information transmitted electronically or otherwise to the Commission has been examined and is complete and accurate to the best of its knowledge. No unencrypted email or storage media containing confidential information shall be sent to the Commission. Encryption keys shall not be sent with the encrypted data.

NOTE: A high school's Principal and System Administrator may not be the same person.

I, the undersigned, certify that I am the System Administrator for this Agreement. I have read and understand this agreement and certify that I will comply with the requirements stated herein.

Signature – High School System Administrator 1	Print Name	Date
E-Mail Address	Telephone Number	Fax Number
Signature – High School System Administrator 2	Print Name	Date
E-Mail Address	Telephone Number	Fax Number

I, the undersigned, certify that I am the Principal of the high school listed above and am authorized to act on its behalf. I have read and understand this agreement and certify that the high school is a WASC accredited or otherwise regional accredited as required by Title 5, California Code of Regulations Section 30008 and its authorized users will comply with the requirements stated herein. As the high school's Principal, I hereby designate the individual(s) identified above as this high school's System Administrator.

Signature – High School Principal	Print Name	Date
E-Mail Address	Telephone Number	Fax Number

Complete and submit:

- High School System Administrator's Access Request Form
- Information Security and Confidentiality Agreement

GETTING STARTED WITH WEBGRANTS

Commission Help Desk



(888) 294-0148



csachelpdesk@csac.ca.gov

WEBGRANTS APPLICATION FORMS

The screenshot shows the California Student Aid Commission website. A red arrow points to the 'WebGrants' link in the 'WebGrants' column. Another red arrow points to the 'District Access - WebGrants' link in the 'GPA Award Summary' column.

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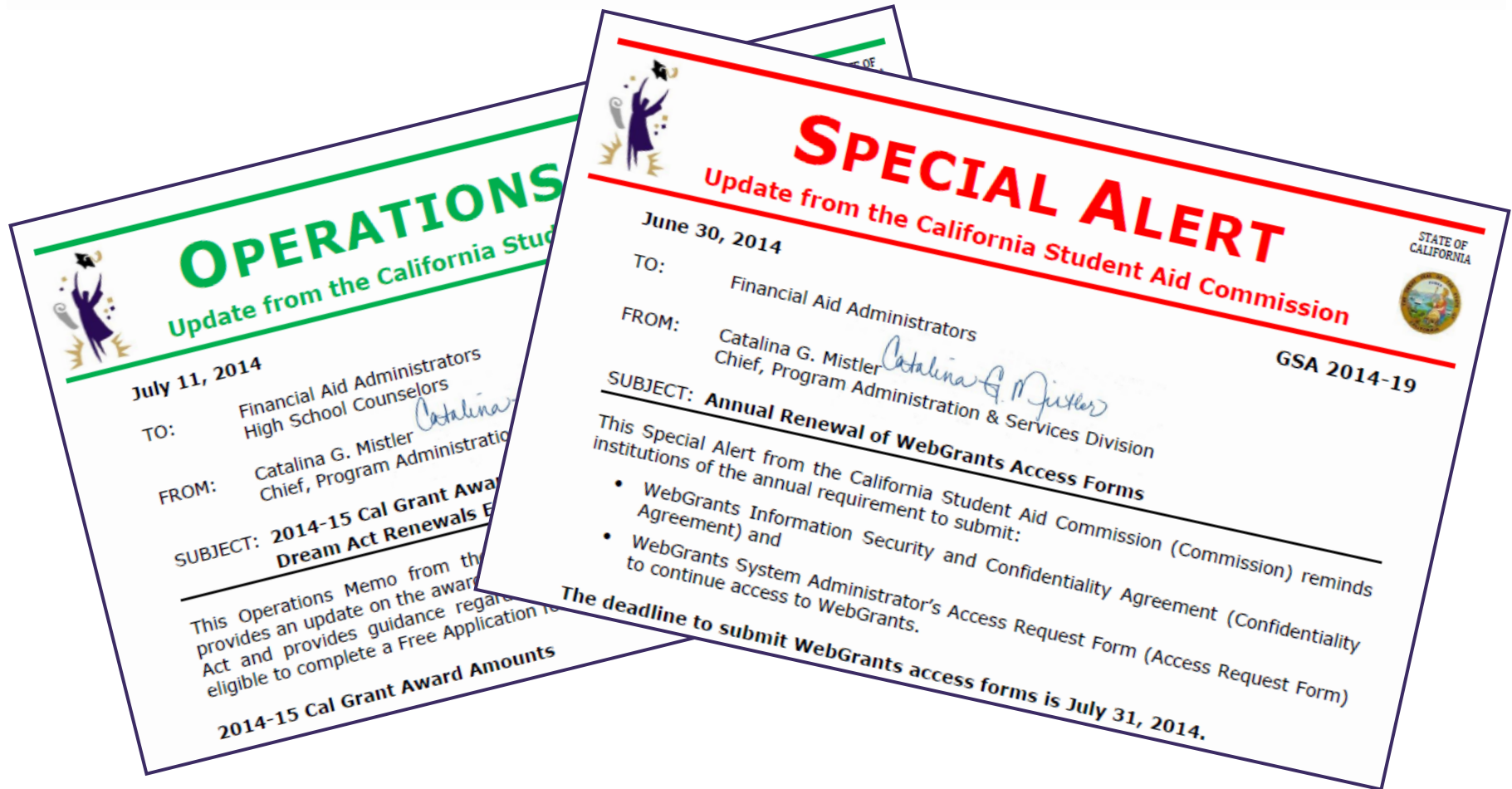
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The screenshot shows the homepage of the California Student Aid Commission. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Web Grants, Cal Grants, Cash for College, Cal Dream Act, and FAFSA. Below this is a search bar and a language selector for 'This Site' and 'California'. The main navigation menu includes links for HOME, STUDENTS & PARENTS, HIGH SCHOOLS, COLLEGES, OUTREACH & PROGRAMS, REPORTS & PUBLICATIONS, NEWS ROOM, and ABOUT CSAC. The 'HIGH SCHOOLS' link is highlighted with a red arrow. Below the navigation menu, there are several links organized into columns. A red arrow points to the 'Training' link, which includes a sub-link for 'Webinars and power point'. Other links include 'Financial Aid Programs', 'Cal Grant - How to Apply', 'Counselor Workshop', 'GPA Submission', 'Fund Your Future Outreach Publications', 'Cash for College Workshops', 'WebGrants', 'GPA Calculator', 'GPA Verify', 'GPA Q&A', 'GPA Award Summary', 'IT Technical Documents', and 'District Access - WebGrants'. Below the main content area, there are three sections: 'Cal Grant Channel' featuring a video player with the title 'What's the difference between a Loan and a Grant?', 'Important News' with a headline about Heald College and a link to the official statement, and 'California Colleges.EDU' with a link to the one-stop website for higher education information. On the right side, there is a 'SCAM ALERT' banner and a 'Transfer Entitlement Program CALGRANT' banner.

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Cal Grant Payment Codes
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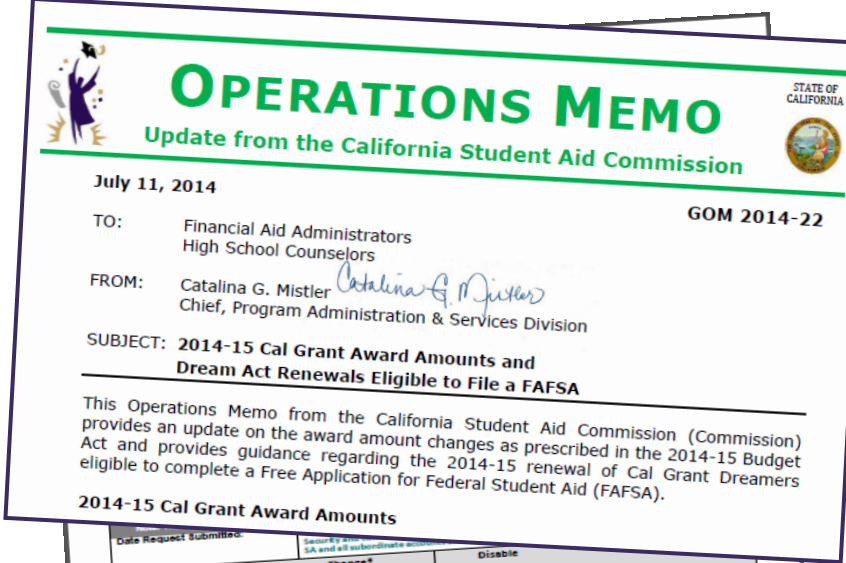
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- Training: How to Calculate a Cal Grant GPA
- Training: How to Upload Non-SSN GPAs



OPERATIONS MEMO
Update from the California Student Aid Commission

July 11, 2014

TO: Financial Aid Administrators
High School Counselors

FROM: Catalina G. Mistler *Catalina G. Mistler*
Chief, Program Administration & Services Division

SUBJECT: **2014-15 Cal Grant Award Amounts and Dream Act Renewals Eligible to File a FAFSA**

This Operations Memo from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update on the award amount changes as prescribed in the 2014-15 Budget Act and provides guidance regarding the 2014-15 renewal of Cal Grant Dreamers eligible to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

2014-15 Cal Grant Award Amounts

Date Request Submitted:		Security and Confidentiality	
New	Renew	Change*	Disable
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I certify that I am the High School's Principal and I have designated the above named employee as GDS - WebGrants System Administrator and I have reviewed all security and confidentiality policies pertaining to their use.

Signature of Principal (AO)	Print Name of Principal	Date
E-Mail Address (maximum of 40 characters)	Phone Number	Fax Number

* Changed schools or change to User or Admin Account

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THANK YOU!

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